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Patent Application of

Steven C. Thompson, et al.

Application No. 10/824,007

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**"MODULAR RACK CONVERSION
APPARATUS AND METHOD"**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response and Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | | | | | | | |
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| (1) | (2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | (3) | (4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5) PRESENT EXTRA | (6) RATE | (7) ADDITIONAL FEE | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 104 | MINUS | 104 | 0 | X \$50 | 0.00 | |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 16 | MINUS | 17 | 0 | X \$200 | 0.00 | |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT —□ | | | | 0.00 | | | |

The Applicant hereby requests that the fee for submission of the Terminal Disclaimer accompanying the enclosed Response and Amendment be charged to Deposit Account Number 50-1965. In the event Applicant has overlooked the need to request an extension of time, please consider this a request for the same.

Please charge or credit Deposit Account No. 50-1965 with any shortage or overpayment of the fees associated with this communication. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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